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By e-mail: Furman_NYSDChambers@nysd.uscourts.gov
The Honorable Jesse M. Furman
United States District Judge
United States District Court
500 Pearl Street
New York, NY 10007

Re: The City of New York v. Gordon, et al., 12 cv 4838 (JMF)

Dear Judge Furman:

MICHAEL A. CARDOZO

Corporation Counsel

We represent plaintiff the City of New York (the "City") in this action alleging the sale and transport of unstamped cigarettes into New York City. We write briefly to apprise the Court of ongoing activity relevant to the City's request for injunctive relief.

The suggestion has been raised in this action that the purported cessation of sales of unstamped cigarettes by the Gordon defendants and All Of Our Butts has diminished the urgency of the relief sought by the City. Preliminary third-party discovery has now revealed that literally tons of cigarettes continue to be delivered into the City by defendant Regional Integrated Logistics, Inc. ("RIL"). In response to discovery, RIL provided the names of intermediate shipping companies to which RIL transferred cigarettes picked up from the Gordons, and presumably from the other Salamanca, NY sellers of unstamped cigarettes that RIL admits servicing. Documents produced by those intermediate shippers establish that RIL is engaged in on-going shipments of cigarettes – almost certainly unstamped cigarettes – to City residents.

Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is an invoice and bill of lading from Con-way Freight, reporting a shipment date of April 12, 2013, for 1131 lbs. of "cigarettes" that RIL shipped to Lasership in New York City. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is an invoice from Lasership, produced in response to a subpoena for documents related to Lasership package deliveries within the City of New York of shipments received by Lasership from Regional Integrated Logistics. The invoice shows Lasership's delivery of numerous small packages to residential addresses in the City between April 15-19, 2013. Some of those deliveries are designated as "RPS," the package delivery arm of RIL, which the Gordons advertised as handling delivery of cigarettes purchased from defendant All Of Our Butts. The controlled buy by a City investigator from All

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Of Our Butts was delivered by Lasership. The complete documentation produced by Con-way, Lasership and another freight forwarder, New England Motor Freight, show weekly deliveries over the past two years.

Although we recognize that some inference is required, even the modest discovery accomplished to date p resents strong evidence that RIL is now engaged in the continuous delivery of thousands of cartons of contraband cigarettes into the City. To be clear, the City does not ask the Court to consider this evidence in support of the City's motion for a preliminary injunction. Rather, the City is bringing these facts to the Court's attention to counter any implication that the City's motion has lost its urgency due to the purported closing of All Of Our Butts.

Thank you for Your Honor's attention to this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

Efic Proshansky Aaron Bloom

Assistant Corporation Counsel



CNWY

DUNS# 16-840-6437EED TAX ID# 94-2904084

Mailing Address

REGIONAL INTEGRATED LOGISTICS JOE GARBARINO 2321 KENMORE AVE BUFFALO, NY US 14207

Invoice 614-122390

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Account Number

REGPIXBO000

Carrier SCAC

CNWY

Prepaid

Reference Number

Shipment Date Shipment Terms 04/12/2013

Total Due

US \$291.11

by 04/27/2013

Shipper

REGIONAL INTEGRATED LOGISTICS JOE GARBARINO 2321 KENMORE AVE BUFFALO, NY 14207 REGPIXBO000 Consignee

LASERSHIP MATT LUBRANO 237 W 29TH STREET

NEW YORK, NY 10001 LASWGXJY000

Pieces	Description of Article and Marks	Weight(lbs)	Rate	Charges
216	PCS CIGARETTES 47770 CLASS 85	1,131	98.23	\$1,110.98
	CON-WAY DISCOUNT SAVES YOU			-\$899.89
	DNC DEST NOTIFICATION			\$15.00
	FSC FUEL SURCHARGE 30.80%			\$65.02
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SCHEDULE DELIVERY 212-594-5009 3 PALLETS.*****LM

Contacting

Con-way

Customer	Service	

On the Web www.con-way.com
E-mail info@con-way.com

Phone 800-755-2728

Fax 888-890-3874

Past due balances are subject to a late penalty charge as referenced in tariff 199

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DUNS# 16-840-6437 FED TAX ID# 94-2904084

Send payment to:

Con-way Freight

P.O. Box 5160

Portland, OR 97208-5160

Correspondence

Regular Mail P. O. Box 982020

N Richland Hills TX 76182-8020

Overnight Mail 9151 BLVD 26, Suite 100

N Richland Hills TX 76180-6005

Con-way Freight

P.O. Box 5160

Portland, OR 97208-5160

Please return this form with your payment

Payment Form

Invoice Number

614-122390

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Attn: MATT LUBRANO GMV EXPRESS INC.

PO Box 555 Midtown Station

NEW YORK NY 10018

Mall Payment To:

LASERSHIP, INC. PO BOX 406420

ATLANTA, GA 30384-6420

Account Payment Questions:703-761-9030 x8807

Pricing & Customer Service Questions:1-800-527-3764

INVOICE SUMMARY

Current Invoice

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Go LaserShip, Go Green

Announcing LaserShip e-Billing

The easiest way to receive, review, and pay your LaserShip invoice.

Go to LaserShip.com to sign up for e-Billing.

Please return bottom portion with your payment

LASERSHIP, INC.

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Exhibit 2 to City Letter of 5/1/2013

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